

Attachment 7

Kathleen Sternenberg

GAL Fees

Campbell v. Partello, No. 659-2018-DM-00702

EXHIBIT 5

Judge I.

2/8/2021

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NOTICE OF DECISION

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Please be advised that on February 15, 2019 the Court made the following Order relative to:

Motion for Instruction; A and B are granted. Respondent shall fully cooperate with the GAL. Failure to do so may result in sanctions and may be taken into consideration regarding the issuance of a final Parenting Plan.

(MM. DalPra/J. Introcaso)

February 21, 2019

Sherry L. Bisson
Clerk of Court

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C: Robin Partello; Kathleen A. Sternberg; Tracey G. Cote, ESQ

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CASE NO: 659-2018-DM-00702

IN THE MATTER OF DAVID B. CAMPBELL AND ROBIN A. PARTELLLO

MOTION FOR INSTRUCTION

NOW COMES Kathleen A. Sternenberg, Guardian ad Litem, in the above-referenced case, and she respectfully requests that this Court instruct her as to how to proceed with her court appointed investigation and in support thereof states as follows:

1. On October 25, 2018, Kathleen A. Sternenberg, was appointed to act as Guardian ad Litem for B [REDACTED] (" [REDACTED] ") C [REDACTED], DOB [REDACTED] 9/2014.
2. In a temporary hearing order, the Court ordered the GAL to file her report by March 29, 2019. The GAL requires assistance from this Court as she has been unable to continue with her investigation.
3. The Guardian ad Litem has repeatedly tried to arrange for a home visit with Robin Partello and [REDACTED]. The GAL sent emails on 1/9/2019, 1/18/2019, 1/21/2019, 1/24/2019, 1/25/2019 and 1/27/2019, 1/28/2019 and 1/30/2019. Ms. Partello indicated that she was free the week of January 28, 29, 30, 31. The GAL proposed a visit on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 11:30 am, but she did not hear back to confirm this date and time and no visit was made.
4. The Guardian ad Litem also requested that the parties replenish their retainer as the original retainer was expended. David Campbell has provided a second retainer of \$650, but Robin Partello has not paid the \$350 retainer she owes.
5. The GAL requires Ms. Partello's cooperation in order to complete her investigation.

WHEREFORE, the Guardian ad Litem respectfully requests that this Court:

- A. Order Robin Partello to cooperate with the GAL to schedule a home visit with [REDACTED] and herself at her residence within 7 days of this Court's order; and
- B. Order Robin Partello to pay the GAL the second retainer amount of \$350 within 7 days of this Court's order; and
- C. Grant such other relief as may be fair and just.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 5, 2019

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Certificate of Service

I, Kathleen A. Sternenberg, hereby certify that I have, this day, mailed a copy of this motion to Jeffrey Manganaro, Esq./Tracey Goyette Cote, Esq., counsel for David B. Campbell and to Robin A. Partello, pro se.

Kathleen A. Sternenberg
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MASTER RECOMMENDS:

2/15/19
Date

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Bruce F. DalPra, Master

*At Base granted.
Respondent shall fully cooperate
with the GAL. Failure to do so
may result in sanctions and
may be taken into consideration
regarding the issuance of
a final Parenting Plan.*

So Ordered...
I hereby certify that I have read the recommendation(s) and agree that to the extent the marital master/judicial referee/hearing officer has made factual findings, she/he has applied the correct legal standard to the facts determined by the marital master/judicial referee/hearing officer.

2/15/18
Date
[Signature]
Signature of Judge
Julia A. Roubas

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Enclosed please find a copy of the Court's Order dated March 12, 2019 relative to:

Motion to Exceed Fee Cap

"Motion granted over the Respondent's objection at #36".

Introcaso, J.

March 12, 2019

Sherry L. Bisson
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C: Robin Partello; Kathleen A. Sternenberg; Tracey G. Cote, ESQ

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MOTION TO EXCEED FEE CAP

NOW COMES Kathleen A. Sternenberg, Guardian ad Litem, in the above-referenced case, and she respectfully requests that this Court issue allow the Guardian ad Litem to exceed the fee cap by an additional \$1,000 and in support thereof states as follows:

1. On October 25, 2018, Kathleen A. Sternenberg, was appointed to act as Guardian ad Litem for B [REDACTED] (" [REDACTED] ") C [REDACTED], DOB [REDACTED]/2014.
2. This matter has involved allegations of inappropriate contact with the child and a police investigation and DCYF investigation.
3. The GAL has filed multiple pleadings, prepared for and attended hearings, and has received and replied to ongoing daily email exchanges, phone calls, arranged and attended in person meetings, home visits at both homes, had multiple contacts with the child's school, pediatricians, therapist; and has received police, DCYF and medical records and met with police and had contacts with DCYF.
4. The GAL has used the initial retainer and supplemental retainer¹ as of her billing this week.
5. The GAL anticipates that within a month, she will need to write and file a comprehensive report and to testify at the upcoming contested hearing.
6. The GAL has informed both parties of her intent to file this motion.
7. David Campbell has assented to this motion.
8. Robin Partello objects to this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Guardian ad Litem respectfully requests that this Court:

- A. Allow the GAL's motion to exceed the fee cap in the amount of \$1,000 and order

¹The GAL has not received Robin Partello's portion of the supplemental retainer as of this writing.

the parties to pay 12% AL in addition to percentage of the retainer within fourteen days of the order; and

B. Grant such other relief as may be fair and just.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 28, 2019

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Motion _____ Granted / Denied _____

Date 3-12-19

Judge Julie A. Introcaso

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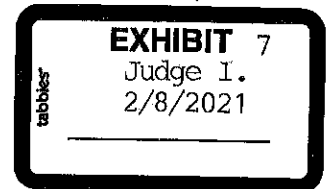
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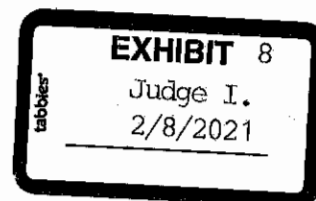
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Enclosed please find a copy of the Court's Order dated March 12, 2019 relative to:

**Further Motion for Instruction Regarding GAL Supplemental
Retainer Payment by Robin Partello
"Legal fees/GAL fees to be paid in Cash, by Money Order or
Bank Check, ONLY".**

So Ordered

Introcaso, J.

March 12, 2019

Sherry L. Bisson
Clerk of Court

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IN THE MATTER OF DAVID B. CAMPBELL AND ROBIN A. PARTELLO

**FURTHER MOTION FOR INSTRUCTION REGARDING
GAL SUPPLEMENTAL RETAINER PAYMENT BY ROBIN PARTELLO**

NOW COMES Kathleen A. Sternenberg, Guardian ad Litem, in the above-referenced case, and she respectfully requests that this Court issue a further order to instruct Robin Partello to pay the GAL via check, money order or cash payment immediately and in support thereof states as follows:

1. On October 25, 2018, Kathleen A. Sternenberg, was appointed to act as Guardian ad Litem for E [REDACTED] (" [REDACTED] ") C [REDACTED], DOB [REDACTED]/2014.
2. Although this court ordered that Robin Partello pay the Guardian ad Litem within seven days of its recent order, the Guardian ad Litem has not received the \$350 second retainer amount in a form acceptable to the GAL.
3. Robin Partello has apparently sent electronic funds to Apple Pay and insists that the GAL accept these funds.
4. The GAL does not accept Apple Pay and does not have Apple Pay connected to her client trust account.
5. The GAL has repeatedly informed Robin Partello that she does not accept electronic payments for retainers.
6. The GAL has informed Robin Partello that she needs to either send a check or money order or arrange a time to meet the GAL to give her cash.
7. Robin Partello has refused to do so.

WHEREFORE, the Guardian ad Litem respectfully requests that this Court:

- A. Order Robin Partello to pay the GAL retainer in the amount of \$350 by cash, by check or by money order and to either mail the check or money order to the GAL's business address or to arrange to meet the GAL at the NH Bar Association offices with a cash payment; and
- B. Grant such other relief as may be fair and just.

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